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AMENDMENT

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Applicants' attorney thanks the Examiner for his time and consideration in conducting a telephone interview concerning the present application on October 7, 2003. Based on the Examiner's insights and suggestions offered during the interview, applicants have prepared the present amendment accompanied by remarks, to more specifically point out the "correlation" between the data collected from embryos and the embryos' "quality."

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